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SUBJECT: UNIFIL FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT AND DEPLOYMENT IN THE
CHRISTIAN ENCLAVES

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1. ADCM CALLED WEIZMAN AIDE MAJOR SHUR THE MORNING OF
SEPTEMBER 7 TO DISCUSS UNIFIL. AFTER SHUR WAS GIVEN THE
GIST OF PARA 1 REF A, HE WAS ASKED WHAT THE GOI'S UNDER-
STANDING WAS OF THE PRESENT SITUATION. SHUR SAID HE WOULD
HAVE TO CHECK AND CALL BACK.

2. HART TALKED TO SHUR AGAIN AT 1330 HOURS. SHUR STARTED
BY SAYING THAT HE HAD BRIEFED ACTING PRIME MINISTER/ACTING
DEFENSE MINISTER YADIN ON THE MORNING CONVERSATION. THE
DEFENSE MINISTRY, ACCORDING TO SHUR, DOES NOT KNOW THE
EXACT PRESENT STATUS OF UNIFIL/CHRISTIAN RELATIONS. HE
SAID THAT THE GOI "WOULD DO ITS BEST TO ACHIEVE FULL
IMPLEMENTATION" OF ITS AUGUST 30 COMMITMENTS. THIS IS
DIFFICULT, HOWEVER, AND HAS BEEN FURTHER COMPLICATED BY
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THE GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON'S RECENT STATEMENT WHICH IN
EFFECT DISMISSED HADDAD AND SHIDIAC FROM THE LEBANESE
ARMY, SHUR CLAIMED. AS A RESULT, THE MEETING SCHEDULED
SEPTEMBER 6 WITH THE UN WAS POSTPONED AND NO FURTHER MEET-
INGS ARE PRESENTLY SCHEDULED.

3. ADCM ASKED WHAT HAPPENS NEXT. SHUR RESPONDED THAT,

AFTER FINDING OUT THE FULL FACTS ON THE GROUND, THE GOI PLANNED TO HAVE INTERNAL DISCUSSIONS ON THE SUBJECT. FOLLOWING THAT, HE PROMISED TO UPDATE THE EMBASSY.

4. COMMENT: IT WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT UNDER THE BEST OF CIRCUMSTANCES TO GET CHRISTIAN COOPERATION FOR THE EXPANDED DEPLOYMENT AND FREER MOVEMENT OF UNIFIL IN THE ENCLAVES. THE GOL PRONOUNCEMENT ON HADDAD AND SHIDIAC WAS THE PERFECT EXCUSE FOR THEM TO CANCEL THE DEAL ENTIRELY. IMPLICIT, IF NOT EXPLICIT, IN GOI SUPPORT FOR EXPANDED UNIFIL OPERATIONS WAS THAT THE STATUS OF THE TWO CHRISTIAN MILITARY LEADERS WOULD BE LEFT UNRESOLVED.

5. WE WILL PRESS THE GOI TO CONVINCE THE CHRISTIANS TO HONOR WEIZMAN'S AUGUST 30 COMMITMENT. THERE IS NO ASSURANCE THAT WE WILL BE SUCCESSFUL. WE CONCUR WITH CONGEN NEWLIN'S JUDGEMENT THAT THE QUICKEST PATH TO A CLEAR INDICATION OF GOI INTENTIONS WOULD BE TO RAISE THE SUBJECT WITH WEIZMAN OR BEGIN AT CAMP DAVID. VIETS

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